

STATE WATER BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2005-0057

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ACCEPT A FEDERAL ASSISTANCE
GRANT FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS:

1. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Office of Research and Development, Pacific Coastal Branch has offered the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) an additional \$303,976 in federal assistance for the assessment of California's bays and estuaries as part of the federal Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program (EMAP) Western Pilot Project.
2. The coastal EMAP Western Pilot Project grant assists the State Water Board in assessing the ecological conditions of estuaries, developing a set of standardized field collection protocols that can be used statewide for monitoring efforts in small bays and estuaries, improving comparability of data collected in small bays and estuaries, developing standardized electronic data formats which will facilitate the expansion of the State Water Board's Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program, and developing biological indices that can be used to assist the State Water Board and Regional Water Quality Control Boards in the interpretation of biological data.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

Authorizes the Executive Director to:

1. Apply for and accept a Federal Fiscal year (FFY) 2005 EMAP Western Pilot Project grant for an amount not to exceed \$303,976;
2. Negotiate, approve, and/or amend the grant and the workplan; and
3. Negotiate, approve, and amend contracts as necessary using the budgeted EMAP Western Pilot Project grant funds.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 21, 2005.


Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board